

REMARKS

Applicants have amended the above-referenced application to submit an initial Sequence Listing. The text of the application has been further amended to insert the appropriate SEQ ID NO's referred to in the Sequence Listing. No new matter has been added to the specification.

A Petition for A Three-Month Extension of Time is being submitted herewith. Please charge the extension fee of \$920.00 and the surcharge of \$130.00 to Deposit Account No. 07-1060, Reference No. GI 5358 CIP. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due in connection with the above-referenced matter, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 07-1060, Attorney Reference No. GI 5358 CIP. Should any questions or issues arise concerning this application, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned at the telephone number provided below.

Respectfully submitted,



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Appendix A: marked up version of the specification showing the changes made

In the Specification:

Mark-up of changes to the text at page 55, line 29 through 33 and page 56, line 1:

Edman N-terminal sequencing determined that the N-terminus of the mature IL-22 protein begins with the residue at position 34 of SEQ ID NO:2 (alanine). Expression vectors were created which fuse a "6x histidine" affinity tag and a FLAG epitope tag to the N-terminus of the mature IL-22 protein. (The added amino acid tag is given in SEQ ID NO:[5]10 and has the following amino acid sequence:

MKFLVNVALVFMVVYISYT~~Y~~AGSGHHHHGSGDYKDDDDKAPISSHCR) (SEQ ID NO: 10).